2023 Economic Impact Report





Health centers provide tremendous value and impact to the communities they serve through **ECONOMIC STIMULUS, SAVINGS TO THE SYSTEM**, and **CARE FOR VULNERABLE POPULATIONS**. They have also played a critical role in **PANDEMIC RESPONSE**, providing testing, vaccination, and care in-person and virtually, bolstering the public health infrastructure in their communities.

This report highlights the **Camarena Health 2023 savings and contributions**, as well as pandemic response data through **August 02, 2024**.

ECONOMIC STIMULUS			
572	377	949	
HEALTH CENTER	OTHER	TOTAL	
JOBS	JOBS	JOBS	
\$69.2 M	\$78.1 M	\$147.3 M	
DIRECT HEALTH CENTER	COMMUNITY	TOTAL ECONOMIC IMPACT	
SPENDING	SPENDING	OF CURRENT OPERATIONS	
\$6.0 M	\$18.0 M	\$24.0 M	
STATE & LOCAL TAX	FEDERAL TAX	ANNUAL TAX	
REVENUES	REVENUES	REVENUES	

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SAVINGS TO THE SYSTEM

22%	\$91.4 M	\$122.8 M
LOWER COSTS FOR HEALTH	SAVINGS TO	SAVINGS TO THE OVERALL
CENTER MEDICAID PATIENTS	MEDICAID	HEALTH SYSTEM



FQHCs play a critical public health role in pandemic response, targeting vulnerable populations and delivering:

TESTING					
42,839	34,989		51.6%		
TOTAL IN-PERSON COVID TESTS	AT-HOME SELF-TEST DISTRIBUTION		FOR RACIAL/ETHNIC MINORITIES		
VACCINES					
25,528		86.5%			
TOTAL COVID VACCINES		FOR RACIAL/ETHNIC MINORITIES			



CARE FOR VULNERABLE POPULATIONS

25.3%	268,098	56,954	325,052
4-YEAR	CLINIC	VIRTUAL	TOTAL
PATIENT GROWTH	VISITS	VISITS	VISITS





63,371				
PATIENTS SERVED				
27.1 %	92.2%	76.3%		
CHILDREN & ADOLESCENTS	LOW INCOME	IDENTIFY AS AN ETHNIC OR RACIAL MINORITY		
28,886	414	85		
AGRICULTURAL WORKERS	VETERANS	HOMELESS		

SUMMARY OF 2023 ECONOMIC IMPACT AND TAX REVENUE

		Employment (# of FTEs)	Economic Impact	State & Local Tax Revenues	Federal Tax Revenues
	Direct	572	\$69,206,905	\$2,539,456	\$11,158,804
Community	Indirect	125	\$24,856,630	\$915,034	\$2,224,154
Impact	Induced	252	\$53,263,799	\$2,569,909	\$4,607,813
	Total	949	\$147,327,334	\$6,024,399	\$17,990,772
		\$24.01	15.171		

REFERENCES AND DATA SOURCES

- Savings to the System: Nocon et al. Health Care Use and Spending for Medicaid Enrollees in Federally Qualified Health Centers Versus Other Primary Care Settings. American Journal of Public Health: November 2016, Vol. 106, No. 11, pp. 1981-1989.
- Economic Stimulus: Economic impact was measured using 2022 IMPLAN Online from IMPLAN Group LLC, IMPLAN System (data and software), 16905 Northcross Dr., Suite 120, Huntersville, NC 28078, www.IMPLAN.com. Learn more at www.caplink.org/how-economic-impact-is-measured.
- "Low Income" refers to those with earnings at or below 200% of federal poverty guidelines.
- Care for Vulnerable Populations: Bureau of Primary Health Care, HRSA, DHHS, 2023 Uniform Data System.
- Full-Time Equivalent (FTE) of 1.0 is equivalent to one full-time employee. In an organization that has a 40-hour work week, an employee who works 20 hours per week (i.e., 50 percent of full time) is reported as "0.5 FTE." FTE is also based on the number of months the employee works. An employee who works full time for four months out of the year would be reported as "0.33 FTE" (4 months/12 months).
- COVID tests and vaccines data comes from data reported by health centers from the HRSA Health Center COVID-19 Survey. Learn more at https://bphc.hrsa.gov/emergency-response/coronavirus-health-center-data.

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SUMMARY OF IMPACTS

IMPLAN applies the "multiplier effect" to capture the direct, indirect, and induced economic effects of health center business operations and capital project plans. IMPLAN generates multipliers by geographic region and by industry combined with a county/state database. It is widely used by economists, state and city planners, universities, and others to estimate the impact of projects and expenditures on the local economy.

What are Direct, Indirect, and Induced Impacts?

Direct impacts result from health center expenditures associated with operations, new facilities, and hiring.

Community impacts can be **indirect**, resulting from purchases of local goods and services, and jobs in other industries.

Community impacts can also be **induced**, resulting from purchases of local goods and services at a household level made by employees of the health center and suppliers.

The image below is an example of direct, indirect, and induced impacts of health center operations.

